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This may be of small interest in the overall situation, but you will recall Lipton's statement at the Comptroller's hearing on FBIS Indonesian satellite coverage. I believe this clarifies the DDI position. The FBIS satellite coverage is, in part, to replace radio coverage currently being lost by poor reception of IF.

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50. LOGNOTE - Executive and Planning Staff, 3 June 1982

[] I called [], DDI/CRES/Requirements and Services Group [], this morning to request further clarification of the Comptroller's statement at the budget hearing that DDI had no interest in FBIS reporting on Indonesia. Dave was surprised by the question in view of the importance attached to Indonesia, but he said he would ask [] who is responsible for East Asia, to check it out and call me back.

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[] called this afternoon to say that he had talked to the analysts responsible for Indonesia and couldn't understand where the idea had originated. The analysts consider media monitoring an important, valuable source of political and economic information and could not identify anything that FBIS is now doing that they felt was excess to their needs. Nothing that is being done now should be eliminated, according to those he had talked to, and indeed, more coverage, if possible, would be useful.

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[] suggested that a misunderstanding may have arisen with the Comptroller if the question had been posed as a choice between satellite monitoring and traditional broadcast monitoring. He said the DDI analysts support steps, such as satellite monitoring, to ensure continuing access to media sources in the future. That support for satellite monitoring could have been misconstrued as a lack of support for traditional radio broadcast monitoring.

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